

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS IN
DOCKET NO. AB 55 (Sub-No. 704X)

September 30, 2010

ABANDONMENT TYPE

The time for comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) has expired in this:

(X) Notice of Exemption () Petition for Exemption () Regulated Abandonment

(X) NO NEW COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED

OEA served an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proceeding on September 10, 2010 for public review and comment. In the EA, OEA recommended two environmental conditions and concluded that the proposed action would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment.

The EA comment period has ended. No comments were received in response to the EA. Accordingly, OEA recommends that the following conditions previously recommended in the EA should be imposed upon any decision granting abandonment authority:

1. CSXT Transportation, Inc. shall consult with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) and notify NGS at least 90 days prior to beginning salvage activities that could disturb or destroy any geodetic station markers.
2. Prior to commencement of any salvage activities, CSXT Transportation, Inc. shall consult with the Nashville and Louisville District Offices of the United States Army Corps of Engineers regarding possible impacts to water bodies and wetlands.

If the above conditions are imposed, OEA believes that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

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